State of Alaska FY2003 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
Retirement Benefits
Component Budget Summary

Component: Retirement Benefits

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Component Mission

To pay into the National Guard Retirement System the actuarial amount required to maintain the fund.

Component Services Provided

Members of the Alaska National Guard are eligible for this retirement program if they have served a total of 20 years in the U.S. Armed Forces with at least five years in the Alaska National Guard or Naval Militia. Instead of receiving a monthly stipend of \$100, members may opt for a lump-sum distribution. The \$100 a month is received for as many months as the participant performed satisfactorily in the Guard or the Militia.

Component Goals and Strategies

To attract and retain members of the Alaska National Guard by providing a retirement system based on the number of years of membership in the Alaska Guard.

Maintain the retirement system for those members who are retired and/or vested.

Key Component Issues for FY2002 – 2003

This year the state's contribution for the Guard Retirement System increased as a result of receiving an updated actuarial study. The key change in the study was the update of the mortality tables from 1984 to 1998.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2001

Paid the required contributions to the State of Alaska, Department of Administration's Division of Retirement and Benefits.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 26.05.222-229

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Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

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Formula Program:	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2003 Governor
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	879.8	879.8	1,322.5
74000 Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	879.8	879.8	1,322.5
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	879.8	879.8	1,322.5
Funding Totals	879.8	879.8	1,322.5

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Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2003

Added \$442.7 in GF for the Retirement Benefits Program to pay for the increased actuary cost as a result of an update in the mortality tables from 1984 to 1998.

Summary of Component Budget Changes

From FY2002 Authorized to FY2003 Governor

All dollars in thousands

	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
FY2002 Authorized	879.8	0.0	0.0	879.8
Proposed budget increases: -Increase in Actuarial Costs to the State National Guard and Naval Militia Retirement System	442.7	0.0	0.0	442.7
FY2003 Governor	1,322.5	0.0	0.0	1,322.5